

REMARKS

Prior to examination of the above-identified application, please enter this preliminary amendment, amending the Title, the Background, the specification, and the claims 19 – 23 and 25 - 29. No new matter has been added. Applicant respectfully requests an action on the merits.

Respectfully submitted,

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APPENDIX

IN THE TITLE

Please amend the Title at page 1, lines 1 – 3, as follows:

TITLE [OF THE INVENTION]

VLAN TO MPLS MAPPING METHOD TO ESTABLISH END-TO-END TRAFFIC
PATH SPANNING LOCAL AREA NETWORK AND A GLOBAL NETWORK

IN THE BACKGROUND

Please amend the Background at page 1, lines 4 – 5, as follows:

BACKGROUND [OF THE INVENTION]

1. Technical Field [of the Invention]

IN THE SPECIFICATION

Please amend the Specification at page 18, line 19 – page 19, line 3, as follows:

While the description above refers to particular embodiments of the present invention, it will be understood that many modifications may be made without departing from the spirit thereof. The accompanying claims are intended to cover such modifications as would fall within the true scope and spirit of other embodiments of the present invention. The presently disclosed embodiments are therefore to be considered in all respects as illustrative and not restrictive, the scope of the invention being indicated by the appended claims, rather than the foregoing description, and all

changes that come within the meaning and range of equivalency of the claims are intended to be embraced therein.

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please amend claims 19 – 23 and 25 – 29 at page 22, line 18 – page 23, line 16, as follows:

19. (Amended) The [system] circuit of claim 18, wherein the global network is an Internet.
20. (Amended) The [system] circuit of claim 18, wherein the packet transfer device is a server.
21. (Amended) The [system] circuit of claim 18, wherein the packet transfer device is a computer
22. (Amended) The [system] circuit of claim 18, wherein the VLAN is created at a LAN switch.
23. (Amended) The [system] circuit of claim 18, wherein the VLAN is created at an endsystem.
25. (Amended) The [system] circuit of claim 24, wherein the global network is an Internet.
26. (Amended) The [system] circuit of claim 24, wherein the packet receiving device is a server.
27. (Amended) The [system] circuit of claim 24, wherein the packet receiving device is a computer workstation.

28. (Amended) The [system] circuit of claim 24, wherein the first and second VLANs are created at a LAN switch.

29. (Amended) The [system] circuit of claim 24, wherein the first and second VLANs are created at an endsystem.